

**USBR/Western Customer Funding Program  
Technical Committee Meeting  
May 1, 2001  
9:00 at NCPA Offices in Roseville**

**Draft Meeting Notes**

**1. Call to order by Chairman/Secretary**

**2. Roll Call (Normal attendees; x marks attendees)**

(X) Charles Cooper, Western (M)	(X) Ed Roman, SMUD (M)	( ) Joe Ungvari, DOE (A)
( ) Cyndi Calvillo, Western (L)	(X) Barry Mortimeyer, USBR (M)	( ) Mark Clark, DOE (M)
( ) Russ Klein, BART (M)	( ) Janice Bartlett, USBR (L)	( ) Dan Netto, USBR (A)
(X) Stuart Robertson, Irrigation (M)	(X) Matt Foskett, NCPA (M)	(X) Bill Reichmann, SVP (M)
(P) Tom Kabat, Palo Alto (M)	( ) Lowell Watros, Redding (M)	(X) Tom Ruthford, USBR (A)
( ) Martin Bauer, USBR (A)	(X) Bernard Erlich, Palo Alto (A)	

**3. Review Prior Minutes**

**4. Reports**

A. Governance Board – Picked up Action items from the GB February 27, 2001 meeting as shown in Accept New Action Items below.

B. Finance Committee

- Trimester Report – The latest copy of this was handed out to the group for the period from October 1, 2000, to January 31, 2001.
- Calendar Matrix Update – The T/C went over the calendar to determine actions necessary for the upcoming couple of months.

C. Other –

D. Other – Powerformer – Ed Roman gave an update of the reconnaissance trip taken to Sweden by Reclamation's Technical Service Center, Folsom, and CVO staff as well as SMUD engineers. There are several units in operation in Sweden and the group visited those sites, talked to operations and support staff, and were allowed hands-on operation of the Powerformers.

E. FY00 Project Status

- Keswick Trash Rake – Design of the rake has been complete. Shasta staff has submitted the specifications to procurement to acquire the rake. It is expected to be on-site and ready for use in November 2001.
- Clear Creek Tunnel Cleaning – This project is complete. Testing was completed as reported at the last GB meeting. Capacity gain achieved was 13.69 MW. The T/C recommended that based on readings of the flow monitors at Carr, cleaning operations might be warranted more frequently if efficiencies decrease below breakeven thresholds.

## F. FY01 Project Status

- Spring Creek ACB Retrofit – Components of the breakers will be on hand by the time the Spring Creek transformer outage occurs on October 1, 2001.
- Spring Creek Transformer Refurbishment - Specifications are being completed and procurement process will be starting.

## 5. Accept New Action Items

- A. Funding Options to Restore RRTS to \$250,000 for FY2001** – The T/C developed an option to replenish the RRTS FY2001 funds by borrowing from the Spring Creek transformer repair project and then paying it back on October 1, 2001 (when FY2002 funds are available). This should not impact the transformer repair schedule. If more funds are needed, it may be possible for an additional \$200,000 to be borrowed from the Spring Creek transformer project. The T/C will ask for a special telephone session of the GB to act on the option to replenish the RRTS as soon as practical. **Action Item 05/01/2001-1** Related, Western will look at changes necessary to the decision-tool. **Action Item 05/01/2001-2.** And, Reclamation will evaluate use of RRTS to get New Melones U2 now out for annual maintenance back into service earlier. **Action Item 05/01/2001-3.**
- B. Options for 100% Funding of Power RAX** – As an informational item, Barry presented the request from the Regional Resources Manager to work with CVP power customers to determine ways to get 100% funding for CVP Power RAX items. This subject will be discussed at upcoming meetings. Barry will evaluate what impediments that exist that may prevent this from happening. **Action Item 05/01/2001-4**
- C. FY2002 RAX Funding** – The T/C asked Reclamation to provide project justifications for the following FY02 projects to be considered by the GB for customer funding. **Action Item 05/01/2001-5:**

Trinity Unit Breakers-	\$300,000 (FY02) and \$210,000 (FY03)
Folsom Batteries -	\$250,000
Solid State Relays -	\$150,000
Spare Transformer Controls Engineering -	\$100,000
FY01 RRTS Payback -	\$200,000
RRTS Reserve -	\$200,000
Total \$1,200,000	

**D. Status of Financial Accounting Report Requested by GB** – No preliminary report was available.

**E. Establish Date for San Luis Discussion** - Pending

**F. Shasta/Folsom Reviews Reports** – The Shasta review report is completed and will be posted on Reclamation's website. The Folsom review report is also completed but is undergoing internal review. It will also be posted on the website as soon as the green light is received. **Action Item 05/01/2001-6**

## 6. Prioritize Action Items

## 7. Address Open Action Items:

**01/04/2000-1** Cumulative RAX Summary Spreadsheet – Ed

**03/01/2000-3** Rapid Return to Service for Excess Capacity – Tom/Martin

**5/15/2000-1** Status of web site for TC documents – USBR. This site is now operational (<http://www.mp.usbr.gov/cvo/power/custinfo.html>). It can be found by going directly to the

Region's website, then select water operations, then CVP power operations, then Customer Funding Program. Closed.

**8. Future Meetings:**

Technical Committee	June 5, 2001	9:00 a.m.	CVO
Governance Board Meet	July 31, 2001	9:00 a.m.	Western

**9. Adjourn**